

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 1-4 and 8-17 without prejudice or disclaimer, and ADD new claims 18 and 19 in accordance with the following:

1 -4 (cancelled)

5. (original) A method of recording and/or reproducing data on an optical recording medium having a plurality of data recording/reproducing surfaces, the method comprising:
recording data on or reproducing data from a recording/reproducing surface that is farther from a light source than a selected recording/reproducing surface by using light having an intensity that is increased by 4-20% more than a light intensity, P_r , used where recording or reproducing data on/from the selected recording/reproducing surface among the plurality of recording/reproducing surfaces.

6. (original) The method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the recording or reproducing on the selected data recording/reproducing surface is performed by using light having the intensity P_r which is incident on a side of the optical recording medium.

7. (original) The method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the recording or reproducing on the selected data recording/reproducing surface is performed by using light having the intensity P_r emitted from one of two light sources included at opposite sides of the optical recording medium.

8-17. (cancelled)

18. (new) A method of recording data on an optical recording medium having a plurality of data recording surfaces, the method comprising:

recording first data on a first recording surface that is farther from a light source than a second recording surface by using light having a light intensity that is 4-20% greater than a light intensity used to record second data on the second recording surface, wherein the recording is performed after completion of manufacture of the optical recording medium having the plurality of data recording surfaces.

19. (new) A method of reproducing information from an optical recording medium having a plurality of data recording surfaces, the method comprising:

reproducing first data from a first recording surface that is farther from a light source than a second recording surface by using light having a light intensity that is 4-20% greater than a light intensity used to reproduce second data from the second recording surface, wherein:

the first data to be reproduced is recorded after completion of the manufacture of the optical recording medium having the plurality of data recording surfaces by using light having a light intensity that is 4-20% greater than a light intensity used to record the second data on the second recording surface.